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QUESTION IN PLENARY

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1. SUMMARY: INDICATIONS ARE THAT PLENARY WILL VOTE ON EACH
OF THE TWO RESOLUTIONS ON KOREA ADOPTED BY COMMITTEE ONE.
END SUMMARY.

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2. AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN MET CHINA'S PERMREP HUANG HUA

NOVEMBER 11 AT SECRETARY GENERAL'S LUNCHEON FOR SWEDEN'S PRIME MINISTER PALME. MOYNIHAN ASKED HUANG HUA ABOUT STATUS OF CHINESE SUGGESTION THAT PLENARY MIGHT DEAL WITH COMMITTEE ONE REPORT ON KOREAN QUESTION WITHOUT VOTE. HUANG HUA REPLIED THAT, SINCE SUGGESTION HAD NOT GOTTEN ALGERIAN SUPPORT, SUGGESTION HAD BEEN PUT ASIDE.

3. LATER IN DAY, REPUBLIC OF KOREA (ROK) FOREIGN MINISTER KIM, ACCOMPANIED BY ROK AMBASSADOR PARK, CALLED AT FORMER'S REQUEST ON AMBASSADORS MOYNIHAN AND BENNETT. KIM SAID HE HAD SPOKEN TO UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT THORN ABOUT POSSIBLE INTENTIONS OF THE LATTER TO RULE THE KOREAN QUESTION AN "IMPORTANT " ONE. ACCORDING TO KIM, THORN HAD REPLIED THAT HE DID NOT INTEND DOING SO UNLESS BOTH SIDES AGREED TO THIS RULING. THORN REPORTEDLY CONTINUED THAT, IF THE MATTER WERE RAISED FROM THE FLOOR, THE CHAIR WOULD AGREE THAT THE QUESTION IS AN "IMPORTANT" ONE. BENNETT SAID THAT OUR UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT THE CHINESE AND ALGERIANS ARE FIRMLY OPPOSED TO GOING THE "IMPORTANT QUESTION" ROUTE. BENNETT NOTED THAT THE CHINESE MUST HAVE VIVIDLY IN MIND THEIR OWN EXPERIENCE WITH THE "IMPORTANT QUESTION". MOYNIHAN COMMENTED THAT HE HAD NOT BEEN IN TOUCH WITH THE SOVIETS ON THIS. MOYNIHAN AND KIM DID NOT RULE OUT THE POSSIBILITY, THOUGH THAT SOME PARTY (E.G. SAUDI ARABIA) MIGHT MOVE THAT THE ASSEMBLY DECIDE THE RESOLUTIONS TO REPRESENT "IMPORTANT QUESTIONS". NOTING THAT THE NORTH KOREAN INTRANSIGENCE HAD BLOCKED GROUP OF 13S EFFORTS AT COMPROMISE SOLUTION, MOYNIHAN AND KIM AGREED THAT ALL INDICATIONS POINT TO VOTES IN PLENARY ON BOTH THE RESOLUTIONS.

4. PRESIDENT THORN IS EXPECTED TO DEPART NEW YORK FOR SOME DAYS AT THE END OF THIS WEEK. ACCORDINGLY, A UNGA VICE PRESIDENT WILL BE IN THE CHAIR IF, AS EXPECTED, THE KOREAN QUESTION COMES UP IN PLENARY ON AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER 18. THE SECRETARIAT HAS ADVISED US ALSO THAT TUNISIA'S PERMREP DRISS IS EXPECTED TO TAKE THE CHAIR ON THAT OCCASION. ACCORDING TO THE SECRETARIAT, THORN HAS PROPOSED THIS TO DRISS, AND DRISS HAS ACCEPTED. THE SECRETARIAT CONSIDERS THAT DRISS WOULD CHAIR THIS IMPORTANT MEETING IMPARTIALLY. BENNETT
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